

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, prior to line 3, please insert the following headings and paragraph:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is for entry into the U.S. national phase under §371 for International Application No. PCT/FI02/000954 having an international filing date of November 27, 2002, and from which priority is claimed under all applicable sections of Title 35 of the United States Code including, but not limited to, Sections 120, 363 and 365(c).--

On page 2, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 7 as follows:

--There are certain limitations related to the OPU systems of prior art. A mass of the movable OPU or the geared rotatably positioned optical light guide head is heavy. Especially a laser source is a weighty and large-size component and the mass of the laser source is centered on the movable OPU or the movable light guide head in prior art systems. The weight of the movable OPU causes together with the pitching motion of the disc problems in defocussing and sensitivity to the track angle error. Many optical storage systems of prior art require astigmatism in the system for error analysis, and this also results in higher component count in the form of used astigmatism elements. All extra components cause weight increase and complexity to the system which extends access times and increases power consumption of the OPU system. The access times are outstandingly long in case of the movable sledge OPU systems.--

On page 4, please amend the paragraph beginning at line 19 as follows:

--In addition, a smaller size and lower weight of the moving access unit according to the present invention also enables faster random access time of the optical storage device. The movable mass of the access unit becomes still lighter by fixing all possible components (including a light source) onto the pivot point of the access unit. This minimizes the angular momentum needed to move the arm. By reducing component count ~~[[a]]~~ the method and device according to the invention ~~does also thus reduce~~ reduces power consumption. The

component count of optical components can be minimized in the simplest implementation of the present invention significantly. Due to reduced component count [[also]] space savings are also achieved and production costs become lower.--